

Kwesi Appiah's Solar Factory: Things Ghanaians Must Know About The Manufacturing Plant

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The Ghana National Team Coach, James Kwesi Appiah, is set to establish a solar equipment manufacturing plant in his home country, Ghana. The Kwesi Appiah's solar factory project, which is targeted at producing solar panels for both domestic and industrial purposes, will be carried out by the Black Stars coach with some of his business partners, at the cost of €14.5 million.

Considering the dire need for economic improvement as well as job creation in the country at the moment, news of the upcoming solar plant has been received as a good development by all and sundry. Below are some of the good things about the proposed project.

Things Ghanaians Must Know about the Upcoming Manufacturing Plant

1. Black Star Coach Appiah is Setting Up the Project in the Locality

Kwesi Appiah's solar factory is set to be established in Ashaiman, in the Greater Accra region of Ghana. The initiative has been welcomed by the Ashaiman municipal services, and according to report, the Municipal Assembly has already provided a 3.4 acre land for the construction of the solar factory, which is expected to take off by February ending in 2018. It has also been revealed that the land will serve as an equity to ensure that present and future generations of the municipality continue to benefit tremendously from the dividends of the factory.

2. He's being Supported by the German Government

The factory, which will be a subsidiary of the Appiah-Karim Company Ltd, will be set up in partnership with JVG-Thoma and Palmer Group Company, respectively based in Germany and the United States. According to multiple sources, the project is already being sponsored by the German government. It is believed that this foreign support will go a long way to facilitate the achievement of the initiative.



Coach Kwesi Appiah with the team from Appiah-Karim Company. Photo Credit – Graphic.com

3. The Kwesi Appiah's Solar Factory Comes with a Training Facility

While speaking to journalists on the matter, the President of Palmer Group Company, George Palmer revealed that the partnering companies are also going to set up a full-fledged training facility which will train the youths in solar panel fabrication. They are expected to set up a marketing and service center to offer 24 hours services as apart of the initiative as well.

4. The Project is Expected to Create Jobs and Increase Revenue

It has been revealed that the Kwesi Appiah solar plant will be providing at least 500 direct jobs for the youths in Ashaiman Municipality. In addition to direct employment, the production of efficient solar panels would also go a long way to motivate the youth to establish small and medium scale enterprises, which will get them self-employed and possibly employ others in the future. Moreso, the large-scale job creation which the plant will bring about, would also enhance revenue generation in the area and country at large.

5. The Solar Factory is Expected to Reduce Energy Crisis and Social Vices

While speaking to reporters about the initiative, a consultant of the Appiah-Karim company, Mr. Kwame Nti Karikari said that the project is not only targeted at making power readily available for domestic use but also to ensure that energy for factories across the country is made efficient and affordable.

As to why Appiah and Co decided to invest in Ashaiman, Mr. Palmer disclosed that they want to cut down the currently high rate of criminal activities in the municipality by getting the majority of the unemployed youth engaged in a meaningful occupation. He also pointed out that Ashaiman is one of the fastest growing cities in Ghana, hence, the reason the project is being set up in the area. Mr. Palmer also expressed confidence that the project will not only improve the condition of residents but also gain investors' confidence.

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The Kwesi Appiah's solar factory will be the second initiative he is embarking on since his return to Ghana to coach the Ghanaian national team. Recall that the Black Stars two-

time coach, earlier this year, set up a foundation to cater for retired Ghanaian sports personalities.

The Ghanaian was born James Kwesi Appiah on 30 June 1960, in Kumasi, Ashanti, Ghana. He formerly played for the national team before becoming the manager of the Black Stars in 2017. Prior to that time, he served as Ghana's assistant coach between 2007 and 2012.

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